Imagine Bloomington

Workshop One 02/21/2012: Monroe County Public Library
Survey Summary

Total Attendance: 33

Question 1: Relationship to Bloomington

Local	20
Visitor	0
Transplant	7
Commuter	6
Personal	0

Question 2: Demographics

Pre-Baby Boomer	7
Baby Boomer	15
Generation X	5
Generation Y	6
Personal	0

Question 3: Describe themes and phrases about Bloomington TODAY (running list)

- tree city
- college town
- small town
- high property taxes
- business unfriendly
- country environment
- green
- limestone housing
- small town living
- small town feel
- college town
- diverse
- cultural
- innovative
- convenient to most stores and events
- lots of stuff to do
- IU make us more than a small town
- bike and drive a car

- good planning and streets
- divided city and county
- liberal and progressive
- environmentally conscious
- over-educated workforce in low-wage jobs
- arts focused
- beautiful
- IU monopolized
- image over substance
- apathetic
- sprawling
- ready willing able
- complacent
- naïve
- almost leading
- exciting
- culturally diverse
- in a position to be innovative
- welcoming
- still conservative safe
- hip
- progressive
- liberal
- ahead of the curve
- trend setting
- small town big town feel
- losing some of its uniqueness
- losing green space
- becoming and looking like any other town
- fabulous
- variety of entertainment art music
- evolving
- growing vibrant
- beautiful
- exciting
- wonderful downtown
- progressive
- fun lots of activities shows speakers restaurants
- vibrant
- good connection with university
- fun
- bike-friendly
- progressive
- pretty intelligent

- interesting
- fun
- cultural activities
- small town feel
- educated
- diverse culture
- variety opportunities
- progressive
- cosmopolitan
- cultural
- diverse
- beautiful
- progressive administration
- extremely progressive city council
- well endowed with natural resources and parks
- excellent amenities from the university
- heavy influence from students
- busy
- active lively downtown Kirkwood
- expensive housing
- so many student housing units in downtown
- tree canopy is getting older
- automobile sill are dominant
- cultural
- beautiful
- diverse
- unique
- diverse
- good place to raise a family
- afraid of growth
- not friendly to new investment
- unaffordable
- interesting
- prepared
- tell a friend
- marvelous touring
- ingrained values
- beautiful
- progressive
- caring
- still has a fair share of problems
- clean Berkeley
- active
- small town with big art and music

- blue dot in the political sea of red
- white bread
- wonderful
- diverse
- great food
- courthouse square
- community
- IU
- growing community
- college town
- many activities to participate in
- great music scene
- summers are relaxing
- difficult
- university influences
- students
- working with the university
- preventing problems
- prestigious
- education
- high density
- IU
- friendly
- run down
- diverse
- growing
- insulated economically
- college town
- complacent
- stimulating
- progressive
- educated
- learning community
- safe
- comfortable
- accepting
- progressive
- liberal
- variety
- vitality
- diversity
- community involvement
- safe
- community becoming richer whiter

- less working class
- high rent
- segregated by class
- unfair elections
- drunken
- great cultural entertainment opportunities
- international students
- b-line has changed town
- huge park to develop
- no train no airplanes little bus
- a place where people participate
- a place of specialness
- a place that's growing
- a place with energy
- a place standing at a crossroads

Question 4: Describe themes and phrases to CHANGE about Bloomington (running list)
- ease of travel roads especially downtown
- revitalize older neighborhoods
- affordable housing
- cost of living
- more east-side commercial growth
- improve crime rate
- better traffic control
- control skate boards and bikes
- cultural opportunities for seniors
- affordable housing
- less apartment blocks
- less chain stores
- diverse architecture
- less engaging street more small yards
- more roundabouts
- less brick and limestone
- contemporary architecture
- more age-friendly
- inclusive
- higher incomes
- affordable housing
- mixed housing
- intergenerational programs for seniors
- IU control and manipulation
- Homelessness
- treatment center for drug and alcohol addition

- county jail policies
- open public meeting space
- unrestricted
- more food production
- more intensive land use
- more non-auto transport
- more awareness of global connections
- more citizen involvement in sustainability
- balancing wealth disparity
- more eco-friendly especially in regards to IU and sustainable city
- the perspective how we are in the current world
- public participation
- less influence of big money
- more bicycle friendly
- make growing food raising farm animals easier
- implement energy descent action plan
- save more and restore old buildings
- no I-69
- more safe bike lanes
- dog park
- IU freshman no cars
- preservation of our past structures
- preservation of core neighborhoods
- develop more bike pedestrian routes
- provide infrastructure in core neighborhoods stormsewers
- provide alternative transportation across SR37 and throughout Bloomington
- community-wide neighborhood compost
- more incentives for riding bikes
- save old buildings
- urban gardens
- seriously implement energy descent action plan
- more bike-friendly
- improve infrastructure
- save more old buildings
- more owner-occupants
- more parks
- improve parks
- contain growth
- traffic
- less property decline
- more services in the fringe
- more green space
- perceptions demographic changes towards seniors
- more green space

- better public transportation
- more diversity
- artistic flair in architecture
- better coordination between city and IU
- protect small business
- better subsidized bus service
- less micro-managing of architecture signs etc.
- less reliance on automobile
- replace and replant trees
- permaculture
- more affordable housing
- more density
- busy active artsy fun alive
- more scattered commercial
- fewer big-box
- crowdedness
- more environmentally conscious IU
- better connection between students and locals
- more awareness on poverty
- better bike lanes
- bigger retirement industry
- more dense spaces
- more population in less space
- more affordable
- more permanent residents
- students more and better job opportunities
- friendly environment to investment
- more industry
- more manufactures
- rain preparedness better ducts
- more bodybuilding options
- more gardens housetop rooftop gardens
- bike Mecca
- more aid to people experiencing homelessness
- bridging of the local community and the university community
- more gardens
- all the gardens
- better protection for cyclists
- accommodate growing senior population
- neighborhoods
- more accessible activities
- venues that include seniors
- celebrate multi-cultural community
- compact infill downtown

- east west corridor
- no more use base codes village
- support more neighborhood service retail
- bus system around campus
- more housing for residents near campus and downtown
- Dunn street under/overpass and 13th
- winning IU football team
- more industrial employment
- reduction of size of university
- clean industrial development
- including personal services industries
- personal contact with public officials
- more public usable transportation
- more extensive neighborhood organizations
- safer student housing updated
- easier transportation around campus and town
- monorail for campus
- private university integrated housing
- strengthen local economy
- reduce poverty
- greater flexibility for development design standards
- town-gown integration
- IU support town goals
- uni-government
- grow population
- greater community cooperation activities
- recognition of contributions of residents
- greater local programming for radio and TV
- more direct leadership in state and national activities
- more public evaluation of services of government
- change and growth are not always a positive
- a sense of common good
- less expensive parking
- quality of education opportunities for public schools
- anti-alcohol push
- make commons for homeless
- make common indoor for art
- real community center with pool
- open schools to public gyms pools
- change criminal justice system
- better safety for peds and bicyclists and cars
- public napping facilities
- not just coffee
- no smoking on MCPL campus

- allow smoking in IU hospital parking lot
- education about alcohol
- enforce PI laws
- more city county cooperation
- more effort to revitalize and invest in west side of town
- lets get a better vision for walnut street
- question the notion that growth is always good
- convention center expansion

Question 5: Overall feelings about Bloomington TODAY on a 1 (negative) to 10 (positive) scale
　　　　Average rating: 7.7 (low = 2, high = 10)

Question 6: Overall feelings about Bloomington's FUTURE on a 1 (negative) to 10 (positive) scale
　　　　Average rating: 7.5 (low = 2, high = 10)